Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for polishing an optical disk comprising:
 - a) a rotatable polished body holder for holding a polished body;
 - b) a rotatable polishing body holder for holding a polishing body;
- c) a buffer member provided between the polishing body and <u>a rigid</u>

 memberthe polishing body holder, which is deformable within the range of 0.05 to 0.3 mm

 when pressed with a predetermined contact pressure required for polishing;
- d) a driver for rotationally driving the polishing body holder and/or the polished body holder; and
- e) a pressing unit for pressing the polishing body holder and the polished body holder against each other with the predetermined contact pressure.
- 2. (Original) The apparatus for polishing an optical disk according to claim 1, wherein the deformation amount of the buffer member is between 0.1 and 0.2 mm.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The apparatus for polishing an optical disk according to claim 1, wherein thea rigid member is provided between the buffer member and the polishing body holder.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus for polishing an optical disk according to claim 2, wherein thea rigid member is provided between the buffer member and the polishing body holder.